

## United States versus William Brass for contempt

These legal documents relate to the case of the United States vs. William Brass for contempt. Brass was summoned to serve as a juror for the U. S. District Court of the Kansas Territory, Second District in Leecompton on October 4, 1858 but failed to appear by October 5, 1858. A judgement debt of ten dollars plus court costs was issued on May 9, 1859. The U. S. marshal reported no property found to levy for the debt.

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No. 43 *(2nd alias)* June 1860

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United States of America, }  
TERRITORY OF KANSAS, } SS.  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT. }

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE TERRITORY OF KANSAS—GREETING:—

WHEREAS: On the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *May*, A. D. 18*59*, at the *market adjut, May* Term of the District Court of the United States, within and for the Second Judicial District of said Territory,.....

*The United States*  
obtained a Judgment against *William Brass*

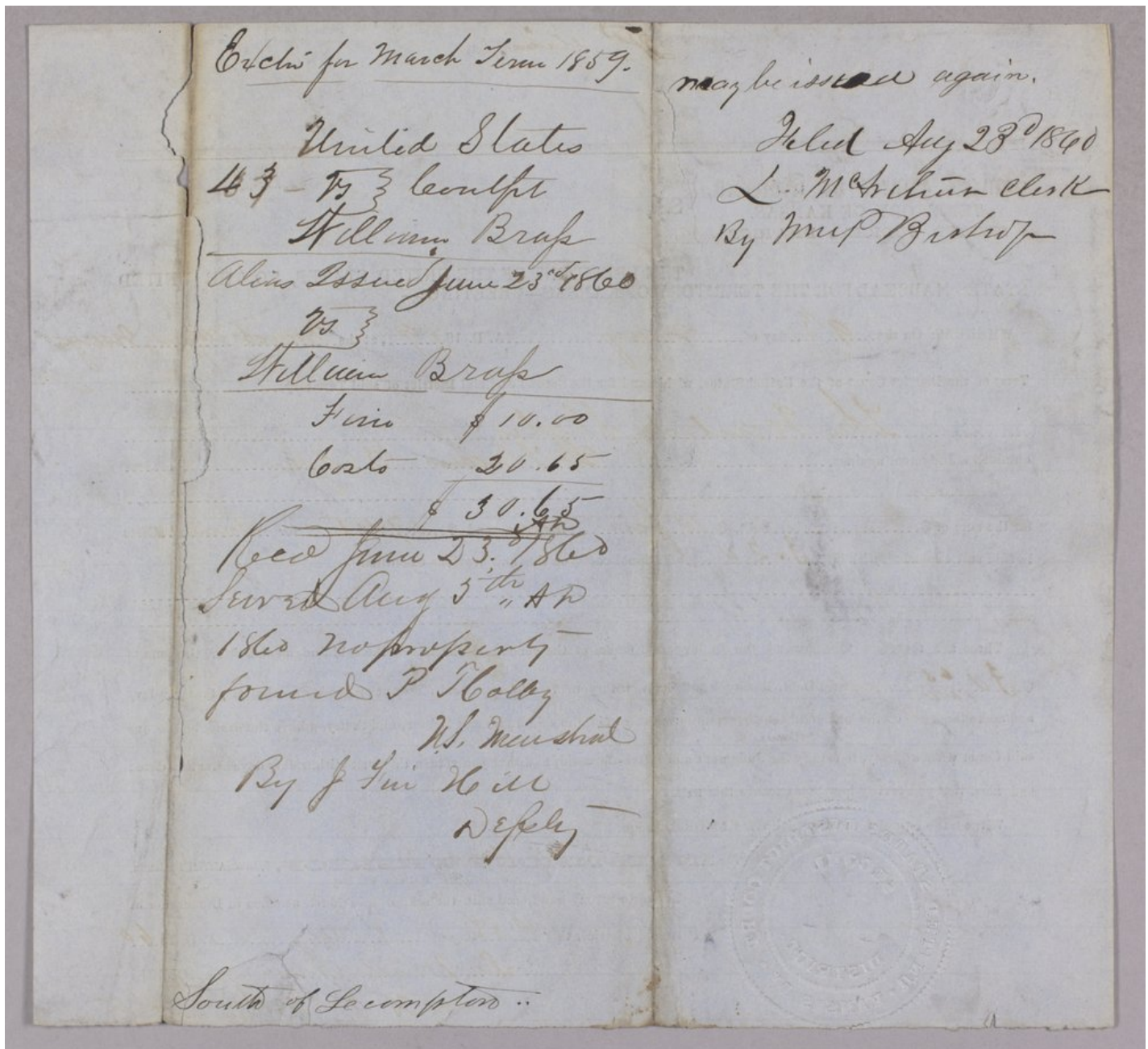
for the sum of \$..... Debt, \$ *10 fine* ~~Damages~~, and \$ *17.45* for *his* Costs in said suit expended, with \$ *1.20* additional costs, on this and previous execution.

These are therefore to command you to levy and make, of the goods and chattels of the said Judgment Debtor, the sum of \$ *30.65*..... the said Debt, Damages and Costs, with your fees hereon; and for want of goods and chattels, that you levy and make the same of the lands and tenements and real estate of the said Judgment Debtor, and that you have the same before our said Court without delay, to satisfy the Judgment and Costs aforesaid, and that you return this writ within sixty days after this date; and also, that you certify how you execute this writ.

Witness the name of the Hon. RUSH ELMORE, Judge.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I, L. McARTHUR, CLERK,  
hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of said Court, at office in Leocompton in  
said District, this *23<sup>rd</sup>* day of *June*, A. D. 18*60*  
*L. McArthur* CLERK.  
*B. H. McArthur - Spt*

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TERRITORY OF KANSAS, } SS.  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE TERRITORY OF KANSAS—GREETING:—

WHEREAS: On the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1859, at the March adjd. May

Term of the District Court of the United States, within and for the Second Judicial District of said Territory,.....

The United States  
obtained a Judgment against William Brass.

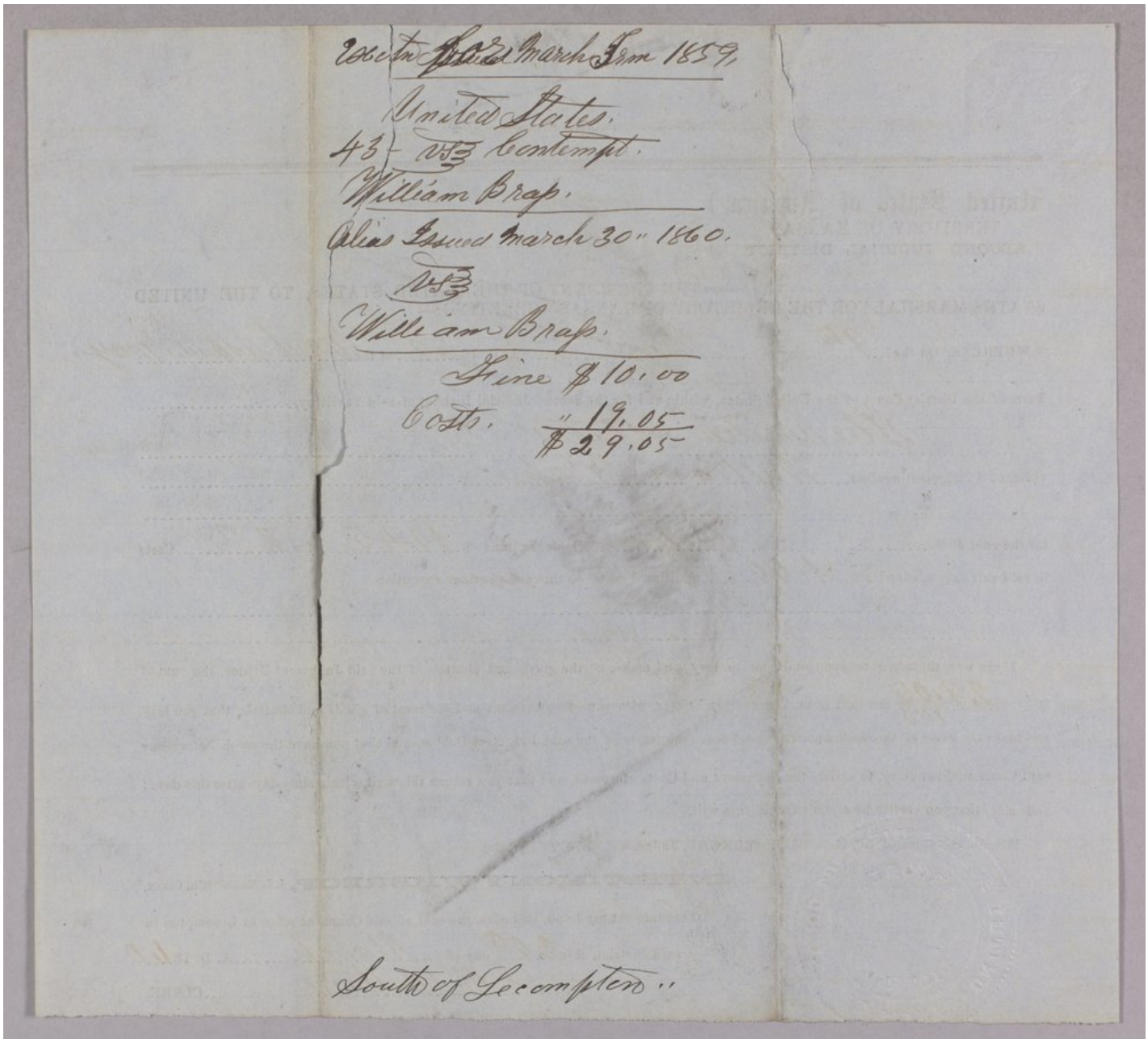
for the sum of \$..... Debt, \$ 10. fine Damages, and \$ 17.45 for their Costs  
in said suit expended, with \$ 1.60 additional costs, on this ~~and previous~~ execution.

These are therefore to command you to levy and make, of the goods and chattels of the said Judgment Debtor, the sum of \$ 29.05 the said Debt, Damages and Costs, with your fees hereon; and for want of goods and chattels, that you levy and make the same of the lands and tenements and real estate of the said Judgment Debtor, and that you have the same before our said Court without delay, to satisfy the Judgment and Costs aforesaid, and that you return this writ within sixty days after this date; and also, that you certify how you execute this writ.

Witness the name of the Hon. RUSH ELMORE, Judge.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I, L. McARTHUR, CLERK,  
hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of said Court, at office in Leocompton in  
said District, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1860  
L. McArthur CLERK.

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United States of America, Territory of Kansas, }  
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT. } SS.

And County of \_\_\_\_\_

The U.S. of America

Territory of Kansas. To the U.S. Marshal for said Territory. GREETING:

Whereas, On the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1859, at the March Term of the District Court of the United States within and for the Second Judicial District of the said Territory,

the United States obtained a Judgment vs. William Brass for the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ Debt, \$10.00 fine Damages, and \$17.45 for his costs in said suit expended.

These presents are therefore, to command you to levy and make of the goods and chattels of the said Judgment Debtor the sum of \$27.45 the said debt, damages and costs, with your fees hereon, and for want of goods and chattels, that you levy and make the same of lands and tenements and real estate of the said Judgment Debtor, and that you have the same before our said Court without delay, to satisfy the Judgment and costs aforesaid, and that you return this writ within sixty days after this date; and also that you certify how you execute this writ.

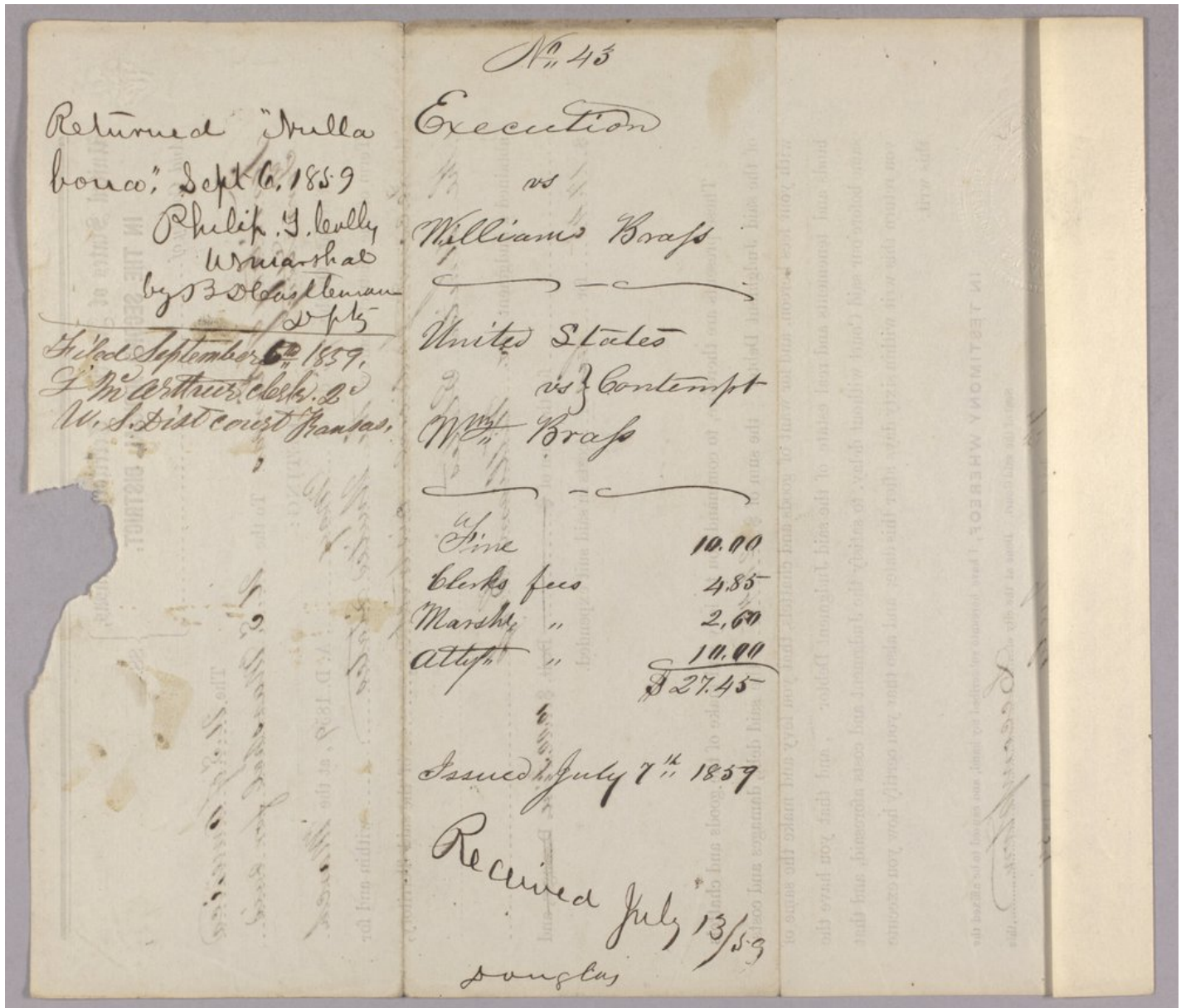
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my hand, and caused to be affixed the

Seal of the said Court. Done at the city of Leecompton, this

7<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. 1859.

L. McArthur CLERK.  
By E. D. Hendon D. C.

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United States of America, Territory of Kansas,  
Second Judicial District  
AND THE COUNTY OF.....

The..... *United States*  
To the..... *U. S. Marshal for Kansas*  
Whereas on the..... *14<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *October*..... A. D. 1859.....  
..... *Summons*..... to be and appear before the District Court  
of the United States within and for the..... *Second Judicial District*..... of the Territory of Kansas  
to be held at the Court House in the..... *City of Leavenworth*..... within and for the..... *Eastern*  
aforesaid, on and from the..... *14<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *October*..... A. D. 1859 then and there to..... *serve*  
as a..... *Grand Juror*  
as appears by the return of the..... *Marshal*  
upon the..... *Summons*..... issued out of the Clerk's office of the said Court on the..... *4<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *October*  
*later*..... A. D. 1859 and made returnable to our said Court at the Term aforesaid, now on file in said office. And whereas  
afterwards to wit, On the..... *5<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *October*..... A. D. 1859 in open Court, at the Term aforesaid,  
the said..... *William Brass*  
*serve*..... as aforesaid and came not, but made default and committed a contempt against our said Court.  
And whereas, our said Court on the..... *5<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *October*..... A. D. 1859 did order and assess  
a fine for the sum of..... *five*..... dollars, for his contempt in not attending our said Court, in  
obedience to said..... *Summons*..... and did further order and enter up a judgment *vi. ad.* against the  
said..... *William Brass*..... for the sum of..... *five*  
..... dollars, and that a scire facias issue against the said..... *William Brass*  
....., returnable to the next Term of our said Court, that he may show cause why said judg-  
ment should not be made final against him. These are therefore to command you to give notice to the said..... *William*  
*Brass*..... that he be and appear before the District Court of the United  
States within and for the..... *Second Judicial District*..... of the Territory of  
Kansas, on the first day of the next Term thereof, to be begun and held at the..... *City of Leavenworth*  
..... within and for the..... *2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District*  
of said Territory, on and from the..... *2<sup>nd</sup>* Monday and..... *14<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *March*..... A. D. 1859, to  
show cause why said judgment should not be made final. And that you return this writ to our said Court on the first day of the next  
term, and that you certify how you execute the same.

Issued this..... *24<sup>th</sup>* day of..... *February*..... A. D. 1859

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the said Court affixed at  
..... *Leavenworth*..... this the..... *24<sup>th</sup>*  
day of..... *February*..... A. D. 1859  
..... *E. M. Anthony*..... CLERK.  
By..... *G. J. Putnam*..... DEPUTY.



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